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1. Soviet soldiers observed at the Gyöer (P 48/Y 44) railroad station during a 20-minute stop on 23 March 1951 included two senior lieutenants, a lieutenant, and seven EM who wore blue service colors and air force insignia. They came from the direction of Sopron (P 48/X 63) and went toward the railroad station exit, carrying suitcases. In addition, there were four soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets and two wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. These soldiers were all without luggage. (1) A member of the AVII (State Security Service) wearing a blue ribbon around his cap and armed with a submachine gun boarded the train in Czorna (P 48/Y 13).

2. Going by train toward Budapest on 23 March, [redacted] armored vehicles, three artillery pieces, and about 10 trucks in two yards of the large barracks installation in Tata-Tovaros (P 48/Y 94), on the west side of the railroad line to Budapest. 25X1

3. A Hungarian soldier wearing white-bordered red epaulets [redacted] was serving with an AAA unit [redacted] and was quartered in the Budacors Barracks in Budapest. He said further that the unit was first equipped with American range finders with a range of 150 km and, later, with German range finders with a range of 250 km; and that an American radar set with a range of 300 km arrived at the unit on four trucks some time ago. The Hungarian light AAA guns of the unit had been replaced by Soviet light AAA guns. (2) 25X1

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5. Talking with three Hungarian border guard soldiers of the 227 class aboard a train en route from Pirc (Y 6/N 61) to Budapest, [redacted] the soldiers were stationed in Karapancsa Puszt, a town on the Yugoslav-Hungarian border, in the area between Szeged (Y 7/T 17) and Kolabia (Y 6/S 77). One of the soldiers was being transferred to Koeszeg (P 48/X 60), while the other two soldiers were going on furlough. The soldiers talked of frequent incidents at the border and stated that the Hungarian border guard troops along the Yugoslav border had been reinforced. (4) 25X1

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25X1 6. [] a unit in Tata-Levaros and who wore green service color, said at the beginning of February, that the barracks installation for tank troops which had been completed in the spring of 1950, was named Rakosi Matyas Barracks. (5) 25X1

25X1 7. A section of the former Ajax Plant in Budapest had been converted into quarters for AVH (State Security Service) personnel. This section consists of a two-story building, a three-story building, and a large garage, and is located at the intersection of Miskolci Street and Dorozsmai Street. Numerous motor vehicles [] were observed at the quarters at the beginning of April 1951.

8. A Soviet military hospital was located in Pestujhely (Q 48/H 52), a suburb of Budapest.

9. At the beginning of December 1950, a unit with five small trucks mounting large revolving frame antennae was observed leaving the Petocfi Barracks, formerly Karoly Kiraly Barracks, on the west side of Budacorsi Street, Budapest. (6)

25X1 10. [] a Hungarian engineer battalion was stationed on Haros-Sziget Island. (7)

11. The Szent Laszlo Barracks on Uelloi Street, Budapest, housed a recruiting office, the Budapest military post headquarters, and, according to local residents, also infantry units. (8)

25X1 [] Comments.

(1) The Soviet soldiers were probably just passing through Győr.
(2) The Budacors Barracks allegedly quartered a signal battalion in March 1950. The ranges of the radar set mentioned in the present report seem somewhat overestimated, since only large, stationary radar sets are believed to have ranges as stated in the report.

25X1 (3) The 2d Border Guard Co of the 1st Border Guard Bn [] 25X1
[] is stationed in Satoraljaújhely. []

(4) Karapancs Puszta is located in the border sector previously controlled by the 11th Border Guard Bn in Kiskunhalas.

(5) It has been repeatedly reported that a tank and a motorized infantry unit were stationed in Tata. [] 25X1

(6) The Petocfi Barracks is the Budacors Barracks mentioned in paragraph 3. Since the devices on the trucks were probably light radar sets which are used by AAA units, the information confirms the branch of service of the troops in the installation as it was previously reported []

(7) Haros-Sziget Island has been known to be an engineer post for years. 25X1

(8) The offices mentioned have been located there since 1948.

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